GOALS STOCKTON SUNDAY LEAGUE

**(Founded 1968)**

  

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F.A & Durham County F.A Charter Standard League

 **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 17 JUNE 2015**

 **HELD AT THE ELM TREE SOCIAL CLUB**

**1** The Chairman Peter Mack opened the meeting at 19-30 and he welcomed all to this meeting. The Chairman then handed over to the League Secretary Ken Clark.

**1a** Apologies: John Johnson, Derek Overton & Lee Golightly

**2** The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 18th June 2014 & Extra Ordinary Meeting on 16 July 2014 had been distributed prior to the meeting and they were accepted as a true record. Proposed by Peter Livingstone (South Bank AFC) and seconded by Peter Irish (Hartburn), all agreed. These were signed by the League Chairman as a true record.

**3** MATTERS ARISING from above minutes – there were no matters arising.

**4 CONTINUED MEMBERSHIP.**

All NEW teams applying to join the league and those Teams on probation, applying for league membership are asked to leave the room for the time being (Storytellers United, Billingham F.C, Blytheholme F.C, Eaglescliffe F.C, Norton Red Lion F.C, Norton Unicorn F.C, South Bank AFC, Thornaby Aerodrome Club F.C, Village Park Rangers and North Ormesby F.C Cons).

**RE-ELECTION OF BOTTOM TWO CLUBS AND CLUBS ON PROBATION.**

###### 4a RE-ELECTION: Norton Unicorn & Rimswell F.C

As Norton Unicorn are on probation they will be dealt with later, Rimswell are a well ran club and no problem at all, therefore the Management Committee recommend re-election. Members agreed.

**4b PROBATIONARY CLUBS:**

**New Clubs on Probation from last season:-**

STORYTELLERS UNITED Had completed Charter Standard and again had no problems were a credit to the League both on and off the field of play therefore the Management Committee recommends full membership, membership agreed.

**New Clubs on Probation from last season:-**

BILLINGHAM F.C They completed their Charter Standard within the timescale and the League had no problems with them therefore the Management Committee recommends full membership.

SOUTH BANK A.F.C They completed their Charter Standard within the timescale and the League had no problems with them therefore the Management Committee recommends full membership.

THORNABY AERODROME F.C They completed their Charter Standard within the timescale and the League had no problems with them therefore the Management Committee recommends full membership.

VILLAGE PARK RANGERS F.C They completed their Charter Standard within the timescale and the League had no problems with them therefore the Management Committee recommends full membership.

NORTH ORMESBY F.C Joined the League as a late entrant following the resignation of Sun Inn, have completed Charter Standard, they are a well established side and the League had no problems with them therefore the Management Committee recommends full membership.

The above Clubs were all elected full members en-bloc. Invited back into the meeting Chairman advised them of membership and were now allowed to vote

The next four clubs were voted on individually as follows:

BLYTHEHOLME F.C They completed their Charter Standard within the timescale and the League had no major problems, however they need to improve on their paperwork therefore the Management Committee recommend a further years’ probation, members agreed

EAGLESCLIFFE F.C They haven’t completed their Charter Standard, no problems on the playing side therefore the Management Committee recommends further years’ probation and Charter Standard to be completed by 1 August 2015, members agreed.

NORTON RED LION F.C They haven’t completed their Charter Standard, no problems on the playing side therefore the Management Committee recommends further years’ probation and Charter Standard to be completed by 1 August 2015, members agreed.

NORTON UNICORN F.C Joined the League as a late entrant, have completed Charter Standard but had one or two problems with paperwork etc therefore the Management Committee recommends another year on probation, members agreed.

**5 PROSPECTIVE NEW CLUBS SEEKING ELECTION**

1. Billingham The White House F.C b) JFC United F.C

c) PH F.C Elmtree d) Nifco UK F.C

e) Billingham The Station F.C

The Management Committee have interviewed four of the above and would recommend they are all accepted on a year’s probation. Billingham The Station is a late application however they haven’t turned up tonight. The four other teams addressed the meeting and all were elected en-bloc to serve a year’s probation and they were welcomed to the league by the Chairman.

**6 CONSTITUTION - LEAGUE FORMAT Season 2015 – 2016**

The proposed league format for season 2015-2016 is as follows: The League Secretary read the proposal first then opened it up for discussion.

**Premier Division:** Following on from last season, Stockton West End, Billingham Cons and Thornaby Meerkats have all resigned which leaves 8 teams therefore no teams will be relegated, Grangefield Park are promoted as division winners with Stockton Hardwick and North Ormesby Cons are also promoted thus making 11 teams for the division.

**Division One:** With the promotion of the three teams, Stockton Red Lion who were runners up having resigned this leaves 8 teams again no teams will be relegated. Norton Red Lion and Eaglescliffe are promoted as winners and runners-up of division two also promoted are Fairfield Sports & Social Club and St Marys College.

**Division Two:** That will leave 9 teams in this division therefore that leaves a number of vacancies which the new teams would complete making this up to 13.

Once again Premier Division teams will compete for the John Jackson Memorial Trophy and Division One & Two teams only will compete for the Stephen Wells Memorial Trophy and all teams will enter the Ian Gorman Memorial Trophy.

Following discussion by the members it was proposed by Peter Livingstone and seconded by Geoff Hewitson that the proposed league format be accepted, this was agreed.

Peter Livingstone proposed that items 7,8 9 and 10 be accepted en-bloc, this was agreed by the members,

**7 LEAGUE SECRETARIES REPORT (Previously issued with minutes)**

## 8 BALANCE SHEET and STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS Issued previously

Thanks to Jean Johnson for looking after and keeping the books right and also thanks to Kieron Wilson (Grangefield Park F.C) for auditing the books

### 9 ELECTION OF OFFICERS & MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The following Officers are seeking re-election without nomination; no nominations have been received for any of the League Officers:

#### President Mr D Overton

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Vice Presidents Mr H Oliver, Mr G Law, Mr D Ward, Mr E Burliston, Mr J K Johnson

#### Chairman Mr P Mack

Vice Chairman Mr P Livingstone

Secretary Mr K Clark

Referees Secretary Mr J Lambert

Treasurer Mrs J Johnson

Registration Secretary Mr K Clark

Therefore the above are duly elected to serve for a further 12 months.

**Management Committee:**

Mr Geoff Hewitson, Mr Lee Golightly, Mr Peter Irish, Mr Martin Blackburn & Mr Michael Sowerby are all standing for re-election.

**10 APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR (S)**

The Management Committee would like to leave this appoint to the Treasurer to make as and when required next April, the meeting agreed to this.

**11 RULES REVISION**

There are no rule changes for the coming season proposed by the League Management Committee however there are a few changes to the Standard Code of Rules issued by the FA therefore I have included a copy of the new rules in your envelope tonight.

##### **12 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

There are a few things in your envelope tonight. These are:-

Retains List of players for ALL Teams to re-register for next season plus 10 Registration Forms.

Team Agreement Form

Handout re Player Registrations (more later)

New Rule Book for season 2015-2016

Booking Form for Stockton Council pitches, plus Terms & Conditions & Instructions.

League Tables for Season 2014 – 2015

Final Good Conduct Table Season 2014 – 2015

Code of Conduct for Players and Managers & Coaches plus sheet for Players to sign and Secretary and Manager.

List of meeting nights for season 2015-2016

**Correspondence:**

E-Mail from Durham County Football Association re proposed Rule Changes

Booking Forms for Stockton Borough Council

Email Elm Tree Social Club confirming dates for next season.

Peter Livingstone re Ellis Cup (More details later)

Letter DFA re FA Community Awards – FA Charter Standard League of the Year 2015 Runner-Up

Letter from FA re FA Respect & Fair Play Awards 2014-2015 Best in County – Bronze Award

**Other Points:**

Council Pitches

Booking Forms for Stockton Borough Council pitches are in your envelope tonight for those Teams who used the pitches last season. Complete the Booking Form and sign the Terms & Condition Form and then they need to be returned to League Secretary by 1 July 2015. Do not send any money as you will be invoiced for the pitch fees therefore do not delay in sending in your forms. Teams who fail to submit their form by 1 July may lose the pitch they require and will be dealt with by the Management Committee.

Player Registration – All Teams

A handout has been issued to ALL teams regarding the correct process for Registrations, new registration forms have been issued, if you require any more at a later date then please send a stamped addresses envelope and I will return these to you or you can download from the website. As for the retained list full details of how to complete are contained in the handout. When you submit your retained list and registrations these will be sent to Durham County Football Association, please be aware that your retained list MUST be submitted by 1 August as per F.A rules otherwise players will have to complete a new registration form and the cost will be £2 and not £1. Players on the retained list must also read the Respect Code of Conduct and sign the required form, failure to do so will result in player not being registered.

Player Registration –Information both Counties:

Also be advised that in order to play on the first Sunday of the season the registrations must be lodged with the League Secretary 14 days in advance (ie 2 August) any received after this date will not be processed until after the first game has been played. You must have at least 14 players registered 14 days before the season starts otherwise you will not be allowed to play and will be charged with an unplayed game. No transfers are permitted before the season starts; first available date for a transfer is 17 August 2015. Please destroy any old Player Registration Forms that you may have. Players signing a registration form must also read the Respect Code of Conduct and initial the box on the registration form, failure to do so will result in player not being registered.

Codes of Conduct

These are to be shown to all Players, Coaches, Secretaries and Managers and then they must sign to say they have read these, the signed sheets are to be submitted to League Secretary along with the Player Registrations. The new player registration forms have a box to initial to say they have read the Codes if not initialled then they will not be registered.

DFA Player Insurance

Last season the process we used for Player Insurance worked very well therefore we will use the same process again therefore for Player Insurance Teams will again not pay the Insurance when they submit the registrations, therefore again this season Team should still collect the Insurance money and when the League has been invoiced for the money the League will pay the amount owed and then each team will be invoiced for the amount each team owes and that amount MUST then be paid to the league within the required timescale as laid down on the invoice issued to Clubs, failure to pay will result in team being suspended.

Additional Information:

Remind Durham Clubs that FORM 'A' and Cash Statement needs to be in by 1st July otherwise a £10 fine per form. North Riding County Football Association Form ‘A’ should have been submitted by 1 June but I am not sure with them using to Whole Game System.

Remind North Riding County Football Association Clubs that they need to affiliate using the Whole Game System and then they must advise the League Secretary of their affiliation number. They must also purchase Insurance by 1 July 2015.

Change of Name: No Team can change name without the written permission of the County F.A. and the League, a fee of £20 must accompany all applications. For Durham County Football Association Clubs there name can now be changed at any time as there are no date restrictions however North Riding County Football Association Club’s may not change its name after the 1st August in any season.

Whilst on about County Cups a reminder to Durham County Football Association Teams that the closing date for the Sunday Cup is the 1 August 2015, cost £10. North Riding County Football Association Teams are advised that the closing date is the 1 August 2015 cost is £20 per competition; entry is via the Whole Game system when registering on the North Riding County Football Association website, the club needs to advise North Riding County Football Association if NOT entering the cup competitions, exemption forms to be submitted by 1 August 2015 otherwise there is a £10 fine for not advising. As for the Durham Sunday Cup I can advise that extra time will still be played in the event of scores being level after 90 minutes. Also I can advise that in the Sunday Cup you will be allowed 7 seven substitutes the same as the league.

I have also had a request AGAIN from one Team to enter the Heart Foundation Charity Cup, this is for Durham County Affiliated Teams only and mainly covers the Darlington and South West and Mid Durham area, entry is £10 per team, closing date is 31 August, if anybody else is interested then League Secretary has full details of how to enter and where.

Reminder to Teams to submit their Team Agreement Form for the coming season at or before the Fixtures Meeting which is on the 25 July 2015 here at the Elm Tree Social Club, Teams have been issued with the date of all meetings for season 2015-2016. If you are going to be away around this date then please let me have an alternative address to which I can send details. Also I am proposing that we have a Charter Standard meeting on the 12 August 2015 which will be for new secretaries and others who wish to attend. The workshop is aimed at new teams and new secretaries before the season starts, this will involve all aspects of what the League expects from Secretaries and also to give them the confidence to carry out the role.

Once again there will be no games over Christmas and New Year holiday period (Sunday’s 27 December 2015 and 3 January 2016), there will be a two-week break.

As per league rules I need to know ALL teams’ colours by 20 July to enable these to be put onto the website and also available for the fixtures meeting, also any other changes need to be notified by this date.

Once again the Management Committee have decided that next season all the details will be published on the website this will mean that the information is up to date, if this is a problem for any team then I wish to know, however please let me know asap. The same applies to the League Rules and any other information that Team require. Match returns will again be done on the website.

I have been asked to bring to your attention that now is the time to act with regards players who owe your Club money, if this is the case then the matter needs to be reported to the County F.A and also the league that way it can be ensured that the player does not play until he clears his debt.

Any team interested in entering the Ellis Cup this begins on Monday 27 July with a maximum of 16 teams, entry is £40 per team with a minimum of 2 games, all games 6-30 kick off at Harcourt Road for more details then please contact Peter Livingstone.

I will need to see all the new Teams when the meeting has finished and also the Management Committee remain behind as well.

##### **13 ROLL CALL -** All Teams present

##### **14 CHAIRMANS CLOSING REMARKS**

The Chairman Peter Mack thanked all for attending and he closed the meeting at 8-15pm.

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